

FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 1790 – HB 1614

May 14, 2007

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (008130): Redefines “evidence-based” and requires the Department of Children’s Services (DCS) to phase in evidence-based standards within existing programs through FY2013. Any contract for services must require that the services provided are evidence-based except for services that are part of a pilot program. Includes on-going consultation with research experts in determining the basis of current programs.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures - \$85,000

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- DCS will incur an increase in state expenditures of \$85,000 for technical assistance for supporting the development and implementation of an evidence-based juvenile justice program framework.
- DCS will ensure 25 percent of funds expended for delinquent juveniles in FY09-10 will meet the requirements of the bill; fifty-five (55) percent of funds expended for delinquent juveniles in FY10-11 will meet the requirements of the bill; seventy-five (75) percent of funds expended for delinquent juveniles in FY11-12 will meet the requirements of the bill; and 100 percent of funds expended for delinquent juveniles in FY12-13 will meet the requirements of the bill.
- Phasing in the evidence-based standards within existing programs will not result in a significant fiscal impact to DCS.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director

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